

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image processing method, comprising the steps of:
providing image data produced by an image-producing device, and
5 image production record information related to the image data; and
executing a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information.

2. An image processing method according to Claim 1, wherein
10 the image production record information includes at least exposure program information and photograph scene information, and
the trimming process is executed when the exposure program information and photograph scene information meet specific conditions.

- 15 3. An image processing method according to Claim 2, wherein
the specific conditions include selection of a normal program which is set as default for the exposure program information, and selection of a standard scene which is set as default for the photograph scene information.

- 20 4. An image processing method according to Claim 1, wherein
the image production record information includes at least subject area information representing a subject area in an image; and
the trimming process is terminated when the subject area will be cut as a result of the trimming.

- 25 5. An image processing method according to Claim 1, wherein
the trimming process is a process in which an image is enlarged or reduced, while preserving an aspect ratio, to a size encompassing a designated image output size, and portions extending outside the image
30 output size are cut off.

6. An image-processing device for processing an image using image data produced by an image-producing device, and image production record information related to the image data, comprising:

5 an image data processor for executing a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information.

7. An output device for outputting an image using image data produced by an image-producing device, and image production record

10 information related to the image data, comprising:

 an image information processor for executing a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data based on the image production record information; and

15 an image output unit for outputting an image according to the image data processed by the image information processor.

8. A computer program product for executing an image process using image data produced by an image-producing device, and image production record information related to the image data, the computer

20 program comprising:

 a computer-readable medium; and

 a computer program stored on the computer-readable medium, the computer program including a program for causing a computer to run a trimming process upon determining whether or not to trim the image data

25 based on the image production record information.